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Cover: The Hope College Chapel Choir. This choir under the direction of Prof. Robert W. Cavanaugh is planning to tour the East in April. Climax of the tour will be participation in the annual Easter Sunrise Service in Radio City Music Hall.

Picture by C. H. Geerlings.
Julia C. Van Raalte Reimold

Novembe 23, 1873—November 28, 1952

Julia C. Van Raalte Reimold, daughter of Benjamin Van Raalte, son of the founder of Holland and Hope College, and his wife Julia, was graduated with an A.B. degree in the class of 1895—the lone woman in the class. Moreover, she was the only co-ed in a span of ten years from the fall of 1891 through 1901, and not until the first decade of 1900 did co-eds begin to appear in reasonable and increasing numbers.

With the passing of a graduate of those earlier years, there snaps a strand of the silver cord that binds us in those days of complex and turbulent living to the past of more simple living for the pursuit of which God's guidance was ever sought. While we pause to pay tribute to the decreased, it is well to ponder on Hope's tradition and the rich heritage which has imprinted itself deeply on the College today, as well as our community— even to the farthest reaches.

The early and formative college years of Lu Van Raalte, as she was known, fell in the era of the twilight of the colony's founding and pioneering. She had a memory of the latter days of her grandfather, Dr. Van Raalte. One of the first graduates of the class of 1866, was Rev. Gilmore (also known as Span, Van Raalte, an aunt of hers. An uncle, Professor Kleinheksel, was her mathematics teacher, and on her graduation she received her diploma from another uncle, Dr. Kolten, president of the College. Those early co-eds were women strong of heart, steadfast of purpose, deep rooted in their faith. They felt they had a mission which they set about to accomplish even though in a quiet unobtrusive manner. On occasions such as this it may be well to read again the Alumni Magazine of October 1950, dedicated to Women of Hope from which it seems fitting to reprint below Mrs. Reimold's impression of "The State of Women on Hope's Campus—1887-1895." Mrs. Reimold cherished her Alma Mater with a loving loyalty deep and warm. During her long residence in Yonkers, New York, she never failed to attend the annual New York Alumni dinner. To escape the oppressive New York humidity, each spring she came to her childhood home known as The Maples on East Sixteenth Street, and was a faithful attendant of all commencement events—also those of Homecoming Week in the fall.

Following her graduation in 1895 she taught in the city high school until 1902 when she went to Hong Kong to marry Mr. Reimold then engaged in education work in the Philippine Islands. Shortly after their return from the Philippines in 1905 they resided in Yonkers, except for a brief spell in Chicago, while Mr. Reimold was engaged in textbook publishing, until his retirement in 1948 when they made The Maples their home. Here it was that she was born 79 years ago on the farm which has been in possession of the Van Raalte family for over 100 years.

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STATE OF WOMEN ON HOPE'S CAMPUS
1887-1895

As Julia C. Van Raalte '95 (dubbed Julius Caesar by a jovial classmate) it was my fate (or fortune) to be the lone woman in the class not only, but the lone woman in the college department for four years. Preparatory School never swelled the number to more than twenty. Daily all girls assembled in an English basement room in Van Vleck to attend chapel in the one-time gymnasium. Once

(Continued on Page 17)
Frederick F. Yonkman '25 has been elected vice-president in charge of research by the Ciba Pharmaceutical Products, Inc., board of directors.

Fritz has been director of research at Ciba under Dr. Ernest A. Oppenheimer since 1945. Dr. Oppenheimer is retiring January 1 after nine years in this post. He will continue as a consultant.

Before joining Ciba in 1945, Fritz was head of the Wayne University medical school department of pharmacology.

Dr. Yonkman is the leading authority on the relation between the sympathetic nervous system and high blood pressure. His appointment coincides with the successful conclusion of a 15-year search for a drug that would control high blood pressure—No. 1 killer of persons past middle age—by slowing down overactivity of the sympathetic nervous system. Apresoline, Ciba’s development for such treatment, was introduced in April and has been accepted by the medical profession as the most effective, safe drug yet discovered for lowering blood pressure.

Fritz received his M.D. from Boston University school of medicine and started graduate work in experimental biology at Yale University but transferred to the University of Iowa where he earned his Ph.D. in 1928.

He is on the teaching staff of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia university, is a director of the American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers association and a member of more than a dozen medical and scientific societies. He has published more than 100 articles in medical and scientific journals.

He has been a member of the postgraduate teaching staff of the University medical school and of the Gordon College, Boston, Mass., faculty.

Mrs. Yonkman is the former Janet Albers '25. Fritz and Janet have a daughter, Gretchen, on the campus now as a Junior. Fred graduated last June and is now a private in the Army at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Johnnie is still in elementary school.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Paul '50 and Dorothy Contant '50 Hendrickson, Leslie Jill, September 27, Hasbrouck Hts., N.J.

John '50 and Marjorie Voss '47 Stephens, Jane Renetta, August 22, Holland.

Lester '37 and Mrs. McBride, Jeffrey Scott, September 22, Kalamazoo, Mich.

LeRoy Sandee '47 and Mrs. Sandee, Timothy Roy, September 13, Monroe, S.D.

Dean '50 and Mary Coffey '51 Veltman, Carol Kathleen, October 24, Holland.

Ray and Ruth Jipping '48N Rewerts, Ronald Mark, October 18, Baileyville, Ill.


Paul and Dolores Thomas Warnshuis (both '50), Mark Richard, October 30, Greenville, Michigan.

Robert '50 and Betty Cookman '51N Hill, Robert Bradford, November 5, Frankfort, Michigan.

Richard W. and Lorelei Park Saxon (both '50N), Cheryl Jean, August 6, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Harold '36 and Mrs. De Pree, Donald March, November 18, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Vernon and Frances Koeman '46 Webster, Greta Jean, November 20, Niles, Mich.

Wade '50 and Patricia '50N Moore, Robert Del, November 26, Cleveland, Ohio.

Julius and Wynette De Vore '51 Bryant, Julia Newman, November 24, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Walter '50 and Mrs. Smith, Elyse, February 16, St. Albans, N.Y.

Gordon and Bertha Vis (both '41), Jean Judson, November 16, Grand Rapids, Mich.

John '49 and Marian Mastenbrook '46 Smith, Thomas Alan, December 8, Melvin, Iowa.

William J. and Irma Stoppels '43 Banning, Ruth Ellyn, November 11, Muskegon, Michigan.

Allan '48 and Mrs. Dykstra, Patricia Lynn, November 7, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Russell '49 and Mrs. Horton, Janice Sue, May 28, Everly, Iowa.

Stanley and Betty Goehner Bowen (both '36), Jean Elizabeth, December 7, Holland.

Pierce '50 and Edith Herlein '47 Maassen, Ruth Ann, December 6, Holland.

John '51 and Mrs. Staal, Debra Lynn, December 3, Holland.

Roger '50 and Mrs. Johnson, Esther Kathleen, August 13, Holland.

Charles J. '42 and Iris Muyskens Stoppels, Alice Mae, September 6, Flint, Mich.

Allan J. '43 and Mrs. Weenink, Judith Carol, November 6, Detroit, Michigan.

Earl '43 and Mrs. De Witt, Lucy Diana, September 11, Detroit, Michigan.

Blaise '42 and Marian Korteling '47 Levai, Lynda Lorraine, September 5, Ann Arbor.

Herbert '50 and Jeanne Ver Beek '51 Ritsema, Douglas James, December 28, Holland.

William '42 and Mrs. Tappan, John Manning, October 10, 1952, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Lynn and Doris Opie '47 Fish, Barbara Jeanne, November 6, St. Louis, Mo., and Stephen James, May 8, 1951.

Leo J. '50N and Mrs. Mro, Leo Joseph, Jr., December 19, Houston, Texas.
Dr. Gerrit Van Zyl '18, A.B., M.S., Ph.D., Prof. of Chemistry at Hope College, and Charles Wimmer, dean of Hamline University and Prof. of Chemistry, on the occasion of Dr. Van Zyl's being presented an honorary degree from Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota, October 17.

Three degrees were presented to men who have a reputation of success in training scientists who continue in graduate school. They were selected as among the best in their fields from the small liberal arts college. Besides Dr. Van Zyl, Dr. Hubert Baker Goodrich, professor of Biology at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut and Dr. Duane F. Roller, professor of Physics at Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, were presented with degrees.

PICTURES OF PRESIDENTS

Of interest to the alumni will be the announcement of Miss Mildred Singleton, College Librarian, that the portraits of the founder and first 4 presidents of Hope College have been cleaned and replaced in the college library.

The portraits of Dr. A. C. Van Raalte, founder of Hope College, Dr. Philip Phelps, First President, Dr. Charles Scott, Second President, Prof. Gerrit J. Kollen, Third President and Dr. Ame Vennema, Fourth President, are now hung on the North wall over the book shelves. The windows of the south wall over which they used to hang have been restored.

*1952. Verne Elliott is a member of the display advertising staff of the Inglewood Daily News and associated newspapers. Address: 938 So. Truie Ave., Inglewood, Calif.

HOPE ORCHESTRA HONORED

A new textbook published by the American Symphony Orchestra League entitled THE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA contains several pictures of the Hope College Orchestra along with an article on its development and operation. The Hope orchestra was the only organization mentioned coming from a relatively small liberal arts college, the book concerning itself primarily with semi-professional orchestras and those from large conservatories or university schools of music. The orchestra was cited primarily for its work in personnel development and community cultural relations.

*1921. James P. Hoekzema '21N is now the county agricultural agent for Ingham County, Michigan. He was formerly agricultural editor in Huntington, Indiana. Address: 116½ W. Sycamore Street, Mason, Mich.

COMMENCEMENT DATES

By Clarence Kleis '10

To the casual observer a college calendar as published in the annual catalogue appears to be a matter of extreme simplicity. Usually all other programs and projects can easily be correlated with this calendar. Proper attention is given to such matters as inter-collegiate relationships in athletic schedules, practice teaching arrangements with the Public School system, the inclusion of holidays in the vacation periods and avoidance of conflicts with well established programs of the community or denomination of which we are a part.

The college calendar for 1952-53 was adopted in time for inclusion in the February issue of the college bulletin. At the meeting of General Synod R.C.A. in the following June the selection of dates for their 1953 meeting was left to the president and stated clerk of Synod. The dates chosen by them resulted in an unfortunate conflict between the annual meeting of Synod and the Hope College Commencement schedule. This was the more regrettable because in June 1952 for the first time Hope College had adopted a new schedule with the baccalaureate service on Sunday afternoon and the commencement program on Monday morning. This change from the old traditional program had been made after very careful study and was very favorably received.

After careful and extensive deliberations, first by the calendar committee, then by the faculty administrative committee and finally by the student-faculty executive committee it was decided that for this year only the former program of activities should obtain. Hence for June 1953 the adjusted calendar is as follows: June 7, Sunday........... Baccalaureate June 9, Tuesday.......Alumni convocation June 10, Wednesday........ Commencement

*1942. Dr. William Tappan who has just completed 5 years of postgraduate work in surgery at the University of Michigan medical school is now associated with Dr. Kenneth Maclean in the practice of surgery at Reno, Nevada. He and Mrs. Tappan and their two sons, William Ross, 3, and John Manning, 3 months, left Ann Arbor for Reno late in November.

*1926. Jacob Geerlings is a member of the American Editorial Board for the International Greek New Testament, a new edition of the manuscript evidence, now being prepared conjointly by committees of scholars in America and in Great Britain.

*1931. The Ralph Posthuma's of LeMars, Iowa, lost a 6 year old son in August, victim of polio.
ALUMNUS-MEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Gordon Girod ’42, who made his debut as a member of the Board of Trustees at the board meeting on November 19, was elected by the Classis of Grand Rapids to serve a term of six years.

Gordon is the pastor of Beverly Reformed Church, Wyoming Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan, which he has served since his graduation from Western Seminary in 1945. He has his M.A. from the University of Chicago, received in 1947.

Besides his church work, Gordon is on the mailing list of 27 publishers. From their publications he prepares his weekly religious book reviews for the Grand Rapids Herald and radio station WFUR.

His family consists of Mrs. Girod, a native of Grand Rapids, as is Gordon, two sons: Stephen 6, and Gerald 1; and a daughter, Lynne Ellen 3.

1948. Lloyd Bobeldyk has been working for Western Surety Company for two and one-half years; first as an auditor and now as a special agent. His territory covers approximately one-fourth of South Dakota. He and Mrs. Bobeldyk have a son, Gerard Lee, 2 years old, and a daughter, Joan Faye, three months. They are looking forward to returning for Homecoming in 1953. Address: 702 S. Hawthorne Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

1951. James and Ruth Koepp ’52 De Young are living in St. Paul where Jim is a first year student in the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of Minnesota. Address: 2382 Dobwell Ave., St. Paul 8, Minn.

1932. Rev. Harold Hoffman, recently returned from Korea where he served as chaplain, was installed on December 7 as minister of the Grove Reformed Church, North Bergen, New Jersey.

WILLIAM N. BIRCHBY ’99 RETIRES

William N. Birchby, assistant professor of mathematics at the California Institute of Technology, retired October 1 after 34 years at the Institute.

Prof. Birchby won much praise during his career at Caltech as an examination-designer in mathematics. His programs for testing the knowledge of students are rated as excellent, not only by his own division but by the entire Caltech faculty.

Prof. Birchby had done research and written a number of papers in his field of analysis in mathematics. He also wrote a paper on interferometer work in physics, which was published in two parts in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Born near Manchester, England, he came to the United States with his mother as a small boy. He attended schools in Michigan and Colorado. After receiving his A.B. from Hope in 1899 he went to Colorado College where he received the degree of Master of Arts in 1903.

He was an instructor at Colorado College and a summer instructor at the University of Southern California before joining the Caltech faculty in 1918. He has been active on the latter campus as assistant registrar, and on the committees on freshman registration and admission to upper classes.

Prof. and Mrs. Birchby live at 1508 Sinaloa Avenue in Pasadena. He plans to indulge in his hobby of gardening and to continue study on certain mathematical problems.

WEDDINGS

Constance Muste ’41N and Doyt B. Hamilton, October 4, New York City.

Neil Droppers ’52 and Jean Brondyke ’52, October 25, Fulton, Ill.

Ruth Koepe ’52 and James De Young ’51, August 8, Holland.

John Du Mez ’52 and Rae Eustice ’52, December 30, Manhasset, New York.

Le Roy Mattress ’27 and Mrs. G. L. Kappelman, December 28, San Francisco, Calif.

Ronald Korver ’48 and Ruby Barth, September 6, Kamakura, Japan.

1935. The Rev. Henry B. Kuizenga, Th.M., Ph.D., was installed as Minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor on November 12. Dr. Kuizenga recently received his Ph.D. from Yale University. His former pastorate was at the Brick Presbyterian Church of East Orange, New Jersey. The First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor is noted for its ministry to students. Henry will be aided in his ministry by an assistant minister and class, full time minister to students. He succeeds the Rev. William P. Lemon who is well known for his long ministry at the Ann Arbor church.

TWENTY-SIX STRAIGHT WIN FOOTBALL COACH

Gordon Korstanje, all-MIAA end in football in the days prior to 1936 when he was graduated from Hope, has coached his Bellevue High School football team to this outstanding record. Gordon has been coaching at class C Bellevue high school for the past 8 years and has built up this impressive string of 26 straight games without defeat back to the final game of 1949.

This means three straight league championships in the Tri-C circuit which includes Olivet, Portland, Diamondale, Nashville, Lake Odessa, Vermillion and Woodland.

It will be remembered that Gord was an all-around athlete at Hope. He earned three major letters in basketball and three in football while on the campus besides the citation as all-MIAA end.

Frucna Douwstra Korstanje ’37 says they both lost pounds during the football season. To keep the team winning is a real strain. Gordon and Frucna have two children: Gordie, 8 and Sally Jean, 4.

CHRISTMAS EVE FIRE

At noon on December 24 fire was discovered in the south corner, top floor of the Science Building. The smoke cleared away in about an hour and it was found that there was considerable damage to the building in that corner. The Palette and Masque, Hope Dramatic Club, wardrobe and properties were destroyed, but the theatre auditorium was not damaged. There was considerable water damage, but the loss was not as great as originally estimated. As we go to press we can report that the work of restoration is almost complete, and classes are meeting as usual.
CLASS OF 1932

The class of 1932 had their 20th anniversary reunion during Homecoming festivities in October. There were 20 class members there and 5 wives or husbands from other classes. Report: "The Class of '32 Reunion was a success, and all voted to do a repeat for the 25th year, which will make it 1957."

First row, left to right: Helen Pelon Walvoord, Titus Van Huisema, Ruth Van Dyke Rottschaf, Elizabeth Arendshorst Klaasen, Anne Jackson Notier, Marion Katte Fox, William Austin.


Third row: Russell Klaasen, Harold Hoffman, Mrs. Tom Beaver, Tom Beaver, Howard Dalman, Carl Walvoord, Louis Damstra, Lawrence De Cook.

The Armed Forces

Lt. Harvey Mocs '50 is an Armament Systems Officer with the Air Corps, just transferred to Lowry Field, Denver. Harvey did graduate work at Michigan State in scientific crime detection after graduation from Hope. He and his wife, Marilyn Lcenters '50, have been at many southern air bases before the present assignment.


1949. Philip G. Meengs, passed the September examination for admittance to the Michigan Bar, it was announced late in December. Phil was graduated in June 1952, from the University of Michigan Law school and was inducted into the Army October 27. He is stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, at present.

Alvin and Marvin Bonzelaar '45N, both M.D. U. of Mich., on duty at the 11th Evac Hospital, Wonju, Korea where they have been stationed (together) for a year. They expect to return to the states in January, 1953.

Ken Kuiper, John Du Mez and Bill Bocks, stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, have been assigned to Guided Missile School for 39 weeks training. Randall Vande Water is at the same camp working on the Fort Bliss News.

Judson Van Wyk is engaged in research in the National Heart Institute.

This is his assignment in his military tour of duty. He finished his pediatric residency at Cincinnati Children's Hospital in July, 1951.

He expects to return to Johns Hopkins in July, 1953, where he has an appointment in the department of pediatric endocrinology with Dr. Lawson Wilkins. He will spend at least 3 years there in laboratory and clinical investigation.

1945. Lloyd Lemmen, M.D. University of Michigan, 1949, Ph.D. in anatomy, February 1951, is now stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is a captain in the Army medical corps. He was senior clinical instructor in neurosurgery at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, before being called into service. Mrs. Lemmen is the former Ione Strick '44. They have a six month old daughter, Kathy. Lloyd has his M.S. in anatomy from Horace Rackham school of graduate studies, University of Michigan, received in 1950. He was awarded a certificate of proficiency in neurosurgery from the department of post graduate medicine at the University medical school on October 31, 1952.

1951. Collins Ottipoby is teaching at the Tucson Indian Training School, Tucson, Ariz.

1932. The Chester Oosting's of Grandville, Michigan, lost a 5 year old daughter in a traffic accident this fall.
REGISTRAR'S ANNUAL REPORT
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- New York .......................................... 108
- New Jersey ...................................... 66
- Wisconsin ....................................... 31
- Illinois ......................................... 29
- Iowa ............................................... 20
- Indiana .......................................... 13
- Pennsylvania .................................... 7
- California ...................................... 7
- Ohio ............................................... 3
- Washington ...................................... 3
- Virgin Islands .................................. 3
- Kentucky ......................................... 2
- North Dakota .................................... 2
- Minnesota ....................................... 2
- Connecticut ..................................... 2
- South Dakota .................................... 1
- Colorado ......................................... 1
- Maryland ......................................... 1
- Massachusetts ................................... 1
- Virginia ......................................... 1
- Louisiana ........................................ 1
- Hawaiian Islands ................................ 1

Total U.S.A. ........................................ 855

Foreign Countries

- Germany ........................................... 2
- Iran ............................................... 2
- Korea ............................................. 2
- Mexico ........................................... 2
- Philippine Islands .............................. 2
- South India ..................................... 2
- Colombia ........................................ 1
- Iraq ............................................... 1
- Japan ............................................. 1
- Lebanon ......................................... 1
- Netherlands ..................................... 1
- Pakistan ......................................... 1
- Persian Gulf .................................... 1
- Syria ............................................. 1
- Transjordan ...................................... 1
- Venezuela ........................................ 1

Total ................................................ 22

Total U.S.A. ........................................ 855

Grand Total ........................................ 877

Religious Affiliation

- Reformed Church in America ................. 564
- Christian Reformed ............................ 74
- Methodist ........................................ 66
- Presbyterian .................................... 45
- Baptist .......................................... 18
- Congregational ................................ 17
- Episcopal ....................................... 16
- Lutheran ......................................... 15

Total ................................................ 877

**1924. Marie Markham Shisler has been working in the diet department at Sisters Hospital, Buffalo, New York, since the death of her husband last March. A year ago Marie was elected as the first woman trustee of the Central Park Methodist Church of Buffalo.**

**LEAVING FOR INDIA**

Blaise '42 and Marian Korteling '47 Levai with their tiny daughter Lynda Lorraine will leave the United States in January, 1953, for mission work in South India.

Marian, who received her M.D. from the University of Michigan, will practice medicine as has her mother Anna Winter Korteling '19. Mrs. Korteling has been active in medical work in India for over 25 years. Marian's father, Ralph G. Korteling '19 has been an evangelistic missionary in our South India mission for a quarter of a century.

Blaise spent three years in India after completing his theological training at New Brunswick Seminary in 1946. He has since received his master's degree from the University of Chicago and his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. While in residence at Ann Arbor he served as pastor of the University Community Chapel at Willow Run. Blaise plans to continue his evangelistic work.

**REPRESENTING THE COLLEGE**

Winfield Burggraaff, Ph.D. '22 at the inauguration of David Marion Dele as the twelfth President of Wagner Lutheran College, Staten Island, N.Y., November 8.

R. D. Hoppers '19, attorney from Harrisburg, Pa., at the inauguration of Walter Consuele Langsam as eighth President of Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, October 25.

Alma Stegenga Halko '41 at the Centennial celebration, Tufts College, Medford, Massachusetts, October 11.

**1952. John A. Humme is enrolled at Westminster Theological Seminary, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.**
Chapel Choir Prepares for Big Spring Tour

For the first time in the history of the school, the Hope College Choir will supplant the men and women's Glee Clubs as the choral group to make the annual Spring vacation tour. Leaving Holland on March 31, this seventy-voiced mixed choir will move eastward, presenting several concerts en route to New York City, and will be featured as the guest choir at the Easter Sunrise Services in Radio City Music Hall. Several more appearances in the New York City vicinity and up-state New York will follow, and the two busloads of musicians will return to Holland April 11, after a strenuous concert schedule of eleven appearances in the twelve-day tour.

Behind this new venture in presenting Hope and its fine music department to its friends and constituents in the East, is an interesting story. For a number of years, members of the music staff have expressed the wish that sometime the great sacred, choral literature written for mixed voices, as interpreted by our chapel choir, could be heard by the many people throughout the Reformed Church and Hope alumni who have for a number of years enjoyed the concerts of our Men's and Women's Glee Clubs. But the obstacles to putting on tour a mixed group the size of the glee clubs always seemed too great. Then, too, the Glee Clubs had established such a reputation among our churches, there was such a constant demand for their appearances, and the engineering of the tours was so well-in-hand after years of experience, that there was a very real reluctance to tamper with what one minister described as the "finest public relations project of the college." So the idea simmered for several years.

Then last February the chapel choir, ninety strong, was invited to take part in the Michigan Intercollegiate Choral Festival held at Kalamazoo. The bravos that accompanied its performance there and its stirring concert as part of Tulip Time festival last spring caused the idea to revive. When, early last September, a letter arrived from the Protestant Council of Greater New York, inviting the choir to participate as the featured guest choir at the Easter Sunrise Services in Music Hall, 

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Special practice rehearsals of ensemble groups are held often during "The Messiah" season. Above, members of the string section got together for a couple of hours to work on the accompaniment for the Hallelujah Chorus. They are (left to right): Beulah Honman, sophomore from Holland; Jean Wierenga, junior from South Haven; Carol Boyd, sophomore, Boonton, N.J.

At this time of the year campus "chatter" includes "The Messiah." At right above, Prof. Albert Lampen, head of the mathematics department at Hope, tells Wilma Beets (left) and Marcia Veldman, both freshman students from Grand Rapids, about the history of the oratorio as presented for the past 24 years on the campus.

"The Messiah" chorus which will present Handel's "The Messiah" for the 24th consecutive year on the Hope College campus is made up of students who may be majoring in music, but for the most part are following other fields of endeavor. They sing just for the fun of singing.

Heart of the entire chorus is the 70-voice Hope College Choir. Performing with professional precision this group of young men and women will travel to New York City next spring to participate in a nationwide broadcast in Radio City at the annual Easter Sunrise Service and will give concerts in Rochester and Schenectady, N.Y., along the way.

The other 130 voices making up the 200 voice chorus are drawn from the student body at large. According to Prof. Cavanaugh no qualifications are necessary to become a member. It is an attempt on the part of the music department to encourage all students who like to sing, but who have no desire to enter music as a career.

Pre-medics, pre-dental students, business administration majors as well as others interested in English, History or Political Science put in 10 strenuous weeks each year of their campus life to make the Christmas season classic a success. Gordon Webster and William Bouwer of Grand Rapids are preparing for the ministry, while Lois Tornga also of Grand Rapids expects to make dental hygiene her life work. All, as well as 60 other Western Michigan students, are a part of the Messiah Chorus.

The big thrill which comes to each member four times during his college life is the evening of the performance, which this year will be Tuesday. The chorus will be robed while the members of the orchestra and soloists will be in full dress. The four lead roles will be taken by musicians of national reputation, authorities in the understanding of the oratorio. This year's artists include Grace Ravesloot, soprano of New York; Nora Conklin, contralto of Toronto, Ont.; John Toms, tenor of Evanston, Ill.; and Russell Skitch, bass of Toronto. Some of the artists who have been guests in the past include: Nancy Carr, soprano and Robert Speaker, bass of Chicago; Helene Heilman, contralto of Chicago and Grand Rapids; Harold Haugh, tenor of the University of Michigan and Thelma Von Eisenhauer, contralto of Detroit.

In a production as large as this, which includes only one last minute rehearsal with the principal soloists, there are many possibilities for "things to happen."

Prof. Cavanaugh recalls that one time a soloist began singing the wrong recitative. In two of the arias the introductory measures are identical and the artist singing the complete oratorio from memory didn't know which aria to sing and chose the wrong selection. Ather principal brought the wrong dress shirt for his tails and had to hold a book over a gaping area throughout the performance.

Two years ago a near-complete electrical power failure in the City threatened to stop the production. A cooperative Board of Public Works channeled the current from the one remaining generator to the section of Holland which included the college campus until "The Messiah" was concluded and then resumed the parceling out of power to the various sections of the City.

Asked if he believes that "The Messiah" will continue to be as popular as it has been in the past, Prof. Cavanaugh said, "This oratorio is good music. If you believe as I do that the best in most things live, then there is certainly reason to believe that the "Hallelujah Chorus" by Handel will be just as stirring 210 years from now as it was when King George II of England rose to his feet on hearing it and the assemblage with him to do honor to a great composer."

... Most Beloved Christmas Music
The Hope Centennial Club

At the annual alumni dinner in June, 1947, Dr. Otto van der Velde '15 presented the report of a special alumni committee. The proposal of the committee was to encourage alumni gifts to the college for special and general purposes. By establishing a Centennial Fund all alumni gifts are credited to this over-all fund—all gifts made by alumni for whatever purpose, science, scholarship, debt retirement, etc. cetera. It is the goal of this committee that this fund should reach a Million Dollars by the Centennial year—1966.

We thought it would be of interest to the readers of the alumni magazine to publish the results of the progress of this fund up to December 1, 1952. At the time of the proposal of the fund, it was decided that all alumni gifts to the Science, Equipment and Library Fund, then in progress, should be included which in several cases made it retroactive. To date included in the Centennial fund have been gifts to those three funds. Balance the Budget fund of 1949, Gym fund, Archives fund, Emergency fund of 1952, Centennial fund, Durfee Dormitory fund, Scholarship fund, Alumni fund, Debt Retirement fund, Individual Donations, class gifts and area gifts.

The total gifts credited to this fund to date amount to $68,099.58. The special Committee that proposed the Centennial Fund proposed also different degrees of membership. By accumulated gifts or single donations of specified amounts, members would attain different degrees of membership. Initiates are those whose total gifts amount to $100.00; Associates have reached the $500.00 mark; Fellows, the $1,000.00 station and Honor Members, $5,000.

We are presenting the list of those in these membership classes, and those who have started on the road to a particular goal. We are presenting the list of donors, together with the amounts by classes.

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The Easter choir held overnight the night before Easter Sunday was the last major event of the season. The choir expected to sing at the service, preparing for the next year's events.


discussions include a detailed overview of the choir's activities, including the schedule of performances, the locations, and the ﬁnancial aspects. The schedule for 1945-1952 is included, detailing the changes in the choir's leadership and activities over the years.

The choir will appear in Middle Collegiate Church and take part in the 11:00 service on Easter Sunday, and they will participate in the service at the Fort Washington Collegiate Church. They will present a concert at the First Protestant Dutch Church on Palm Sunday, and they will appear at the Bethel Reformed Church of Passaic on Easter Sunday. They will sing in the Second Reformed Church of Schenectady on Friday they will conclude their tour in a concert at the University of Rochester department, Rochester, New York.

Directing the choir will be Professor Robert Cavanaugh, Chairman of the Department of Music. Accompanying him on the tour as associate director and chaperone will be Mrs. Curtis Snow. The piano and organ accompanists, all members of the choir, will be Arlene Ritsma, Betty Speers, Jane Vanier Van Der, Alice Hilbert, and Kenneth Louis.

1949: Betty De Ryke is now married to the Winnebago Mission of the Reformed Church in Nebraska. She has 20 little Indian girls, ranging in age from 4 to 14, in her care. Betty formerly taught at Middleville, Michigan, for 3 years. Address: Winnebago Indian Mission, Winnebago, Nebraska.

Roger Olive is working at the Iona State Hospital, Michigan, as a trainee in psychology. He feels the work stimulating and refreshing after the long years of conventional, theoretical academic work. Address: West Main, Ionia, Michigan.

*1949: Ted Flaherty is now studying in the Department of Religious Education at the Biblical Seminary in New York. He is working on his M.A. in Religious Education after which he expects to return to Japan as an Educational Missionary. Address: Biblical Seminary, 235 E. 49th St., New York 17, N.Y.

A summary of the above reveals that there are 14 Fellows, 16 Associates, and 137 Initiates, with 1,130 participants to date. There have been a large number of year-end gifts which arrived since December 1 and have not been included in the above report. A supplement will be published in the near future.
Hope Clubs in Iowa
Report Good

ANN ARBOR MEETING

About 45 Hope College alumni and friends from the Ann Arbor vicinity enjoyed a dinner meeting on Friday, November 7, at the Congregational Church. The invocation was given by Rev. Henry Colenbrander who is doing graduate work at the University. Following a delicious ham dinner Roy Lumsden acted as toastmaster. Since this was the first Ann Arbor meeting to be held those attending introduced themselves and told what they were doing in Ann Arbor.

We were pleased to have with us for the evening Mr. Clyde Geerlings who led group singing accompanied at the piano by his wife. He also showed movies and explained the plans of the Michigan Colleges Foundation.

Dr. Laurence Vredevoe of the Bureau of School Services at the University gave greetings from Ann Arbor and recalled with us memories of Hope. After the planned part of the meeting was over, acquaintances were renewed and plans were started for future informal get-togethers in the spring.

Among those attending were Bob and Harry Visscher, Norma Hoffman, Russell Van Dyke, Bill Van’t Hof, Rev. and Mrs. Bla Levai, Carl Kleis, Charles Votaw, Maisie Korteling, Raymond Klaasen, Bob Roos, Dick and Ruth Niesumsa, Al and Karyl Van Zyl, Betty and Walt Boerman, Claire and Anno Vander Kolk, Carolyn Ingham, John Van Eenenaam, Jack Vander Veld, and Mrs. Gerald Bonnette, Mrs. Laurence Vredevoe, Bob Ozinga, Bob Burton, Mike De Young, Bob Albers, Frank Beach, George Hoekstra, Jim Klomparesn, Dick Huff, John Luidens, and Kamil Muktar.

MUSKEGON CLUB

The Muskegon Hope College Club met in the Fifth Reformed Church Monday evening, November 17. Vice president Donald Ihrman ’49 presided at the meeting and the group enjoyed a program provided by students from Hope College.

Musical numbers were presented by a trombone quartet under the direction of Prof. Morette Rider of the music faculty. Participating were James Harrington, a sophomore from Holland, Lyle Vander Meulen, also a sophomore from Holland, David Maas, a sophomore from Rensselaer, N.Y., and Gordon Laman, a freshman from Muskegon.

The speaker of the evening was Guy Vander Jagt, a senior from Cadillac. Mr. Vander Jagt served as the city of Holland’s summer ambassador to Europe and he told of his experiences in Germany as part of a group of college students who were acting as a goodwill team from this country.

6. Anthony Haverkamp ’08, Edward Huijbregste ’10 (Pella).
8. Harold Wieriks ’24, Mildred Ramaker ’26, Mary Boor Wieriks ’51.

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Wisconsin and Michigan

Attendance

CENTRAL-HOPE MEETING, PELLA, IOWA

On Friday, November 21, about 30 Hope College and Central College alumni met in Jordan Hall on the Central College campus for an informal get-together. Organizers of the affair included Don Cordes '40, Hope College, from Des Moines and Dr. Harold Haverkamp '35, Central College.

Clyde H. Geerlings, President of Alumni Relations at Hope, gave an informal talk on The Michigan Colleges Foundation which was illustrated with a sound movie depicting many Hope College campus scenes as well as prominent alumni.

Refreshments were in charge of Miss Mina Baker, President of Dining Halls at Central, and Miss Alice Lammers '29 Hope College and at present the librarian at Central.

Among those present were the following Hope alumni: Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cordes '40 of Des Moines; Rev. and Mrs. Edward Lubregste '10, also of Des Moines; Rev. Thomas Baker '23N and Mrs. Baker; Prof. Cornelius Evers '10 and Mrs. Evers; Rev. Edward Haverkamp '08 and Mrs. Jennie Lubbers Haverkamp '21N; Miss Mary Breid '50; Miss Alice Lammers '29; Prof. Clifford Keizer '39; Mrs. Harriet Baker Prins '19; Rev. Edward Tanis and Prof. Thomas Van Dahn '48, all of Pella.

WISCONSIN HOPE COLLEGE CLUB

Rose Winstrom Muilenburg '44

Features of various campus activities and Hope banners reminiscing of our college days decked the room of the YWCA in Milwaukee to make an appropriate setting for our alumni meeting. Thirty-four alumni and friends of Hope College met November 18 to renew old acquaintances, welcome new members, and to learn about the current conditions at our alma mater. After chatting with friends we were seated at gaily decorated tables for our dinner.

Harold Wiers '24, President of the business meeting which followed. Introductions and fitting remarks were made; letters from other alumni were read by Mildred Ramaker '26. Changing our name from the Milwaukee Chapter to the Wisconsin Hope College Club was one of our main topics of business. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. They are as follows: President, Kenneth Hyink '29; Secretary, Rose Winstrom Muilenburg '44; Treasurer, Marcell De Groot Poppe '24.

Of course no meeting would be complete without the inimitable Clyde Geerlings '27 and Ardean Van Arendonk Geerlings '27 who led us in some lively group singing. A film produced by the Michigan Colleges Foundation was shown by Clyde John Ver Meulen '24 told us about the progress of the foundation and answered many questions stimulated by the film.

After the singing of more Hope songs, we bid our farewells, looking forward to our annual meeting next year.

Jean Bronkdy Droppers '52, Bill Ten Haken '17, Neil Droppers '52, (Wisconsin).
Necrology

ANTHONY VAN WESTENBURG

The Reverend Anthony Van Westenburg was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on March 3, 1894. He was educated in the public schools there, and graduated from Central High School in 1912. He received an A.B. degree from Hope College in 1916, and served as principal of the Hull, Iowa, high school for one year. He graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in May, 1920, and was ordained in June of that year in the North Reformed Church of Newark, New Jersey, which he served for four years as assistant minister.

In 1924 he became the 17th minister of the First Reformed Church of Scotia, New York. During his pastorate, the church grew rapidly and in 1938 an enlarged educational building was dedicated. Five years later a disastrous fire destroyed both the sanctuary and the new building.

In 1949 Mr. Van Westenburg became the director of Kirkside, a new home for retired ministers and missionaries and their wives at Roxbury, New York. Very soon after his appointment, he became seriously ill. He passed away at Kirkside on October 14, 1952. Services were held at the Jay Gould Memorial Church in Roxbury on October 15th with the Rev. Herman Lubin officiating, and in Holland, Michigan, on October 17th with Dr. John R. Mulder conducting the service. Burial was in the Pilgrim Home Cemetery in Holland. A memorial service was held in the First Reformed Church of Scotia on October 22nd, at which the Rev. Daniel Y. Brink presided, and in which the Rev. Floyd Nagel, the Rev. Dow Clute, and the Rev. H. V. Frelick participated.

Mr. Van Westenburg served for many years as a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions, acting as Chairman of the Committee on China. In 1946 he and Dr. Luman J. Shafer visited the Reformed Church Missions in South China.

He had been a member of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Seminary and served at one time as the President of the Board. He had also been a member of the commission appointed by General Synod to study union with the United Presbyterian Church, and had held the appointment as Trustee of Hope College.

During his pastorate at Scotia, Mr. Van Westenburg held offices and was very active in the Ministerial Association and the Schenectady County Council of Churches. He was a member of the Scotia Rotary Club, and later of the Roxbury Rotary group.

He is survived by his wife, the former Christine C. Van Raalte—Hope '16; by his daughter, Mrs. Stephen Wing Akin of Schenectady; by one grandson, David Christian Akin; and by three sisters, Mrs. C. A. Vander Wieire and Miss Gezina Van Westenburg of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. E. W. Gaikema '20 of Muskegon, Michigan.

ARTHUR B. VAN ZANTE

Rev. Arthur B. Van Zante '00 passed away May 31, 1952, at the age of 77, in a Seattle, Washington, hospital. He suffered a stroke and died within 48 hours. Prior to that he had done his regular calling on the church members and taught his adult Bible class.

Mr. Van Zante was born on a farm in Pella, Iowa, July 11, 1874. He was of staunch Dutch ancestry and grew up in a strict Calvinistic atmosphere. He early became a member of the Dutch Reformed Church and determined to be a minister of that church. He was graduated from Hope College and Western Theological Seminary. His first pastorate was in the Reformed Church of Fairview, Illinois. While there he married Carlotta Bell. After a pastorate of four years he moved West, at which time he joined the Presbyterian Church.

His first Presbyterian pastorate was at Snohomish, Washington. There followed pastorates at the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Tacoma, Washington; Moreland Presbyterian Church of Portland, Oregon; Rainier Beach Presbyterian Church of Seattle; Sprague Memorial Church of Tacoma; then an assistant pastorate at the First Presbyterian Church of Seattle, in which position he continued for seven years. His ministry continued for 49 years.

Mrs. Van Zante passed away in 1951 and a daughter, Jean, died several years before. A son, E. A. Van Zante, survives, also four grandchildren, all of Seattle, Washington. A sister and four brothers live in Iowa.

WILLIAM BAYARD HUGHES

William Bayard Hughes (Bill) '29 died July 5 at Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. He was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island in 1904. After graduation from Hope he received a degree in Sociology from Rutgers University, and also attended Drake University Business School. He lived at 1424 Keystone, River Forest, Illinois.

Bill was an elder in the Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church, Oak Park, Illinois. He was always active in work for underprivileged children and in the Y.M.C.A. He was a member of the Medinah Country Club. He was Secretary and a Director of the John N. Bos Sand Co.

Bill is survived by his widow, Wilhelmina Bos Hughes, class of '26, a son, Howard Bos, and his mother, Mrs. Thomas Hughes, of Passaic, New Jersey.

The courage, uncomplaining fortitude, and never failing cheerfulness with which he bore a painful arthritis condition for the last 12 years typified his fine spirit for which we all knew and loved him.

ABRAHAM JOHN VAN HOUTEN

Abram John Van Houten '09, former pastor of Middletown Reformed Church, died October 7, 1952, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert Koch, Red Bank, New Jersey.

He was born in Ontario, New York, educated at Hope College and New Brunswick theological seminary. Ordained a Reformed Church minister 40 years ago, he held pastorates at the Second Reformed church of Lodi and the First Reformed Church of Irvington, New York. For ten years prior to his retirement in 1948 he was pastor of the Middletown Church. Mr. Van Houten was a member of the Red Bank ministerium.

Mrs. Van Houten died March 8, 1950. Surviving besides his daughter are two sisters, Mrs. Herrmann Timmer, Holland, Michigan, and Miss Josephine Van Houten, Grand Rapids, Michigan; two brothers, Isaac Van Houten and Cornelius Van Houten, both of Grand Rapids, and a grandson.
a week we trudged across the campus to the inviting home of Mrs. Gilmore, our Lady Matron, who sought to quicken us to gracious living and higher thinking.

During my college course, Sorosis Society was inaugurated. But a Girls' Society with evening meetings was too great a departure for a country-side lass to win parental consent to membership. So there is nothing to remember!

Yet, despite a dearth in extra-curricular activities, we managed to be happy and rejoiced that there was an institution of higher learning for us right in our community. We were grateful for a college and remembered how it was pressed out of the very souls of pioneer men and women who valued education for their young people.

Van Vleck then symbolized Hope College to us. It stood on its little hill in its virgin-treed campus among common-place wooden buildings, but it was our college, our "workshop for Eternity!"

Van Vleck still stands on its little eminence in the heart of the campus but now nestsles in the midst of noble buildings, fringing the outer border of Hope's well-kept campus.

There is a thrill, however, to an old graduate who, motor-wise, encircles the campus grounds. It is that luring glimpse he gets where Van Vleck peers modestly, benignly down that charming lane between Durfee Dormitory and Science Hall—the Lane which leads uphill to the north front door of the old familiar building. It is a breath-taking vista. One almost hears the voice of the Founder of Holland and Hope saying: "This (institution) is my anchor of hope for this people."

**A.A.U.W. GRANT**

The Holland, Mich. branch of A.A.U.W. is offering a $500 grant for women teachers. Any resident of the Holland community who is in her senior year at college or already teaching is eligible. Also, any graduate of Hope College or any teacher in the Holland Schools. Application blanks can be obtained from Miss Lavina Cappon, 228 West 9th St., Holland, Mich.

*1923. Dr. Tunis Baker, head of the Science Department at the Paterson State Teachers College, Paterson, N.J., has designed a new teaching aid in science for teachers in the elementary and junior high schools. It consists of a packet of more than 150 easy to perform experiments. The Baker Science Packet, as it is called, covers 11 different subjects or units: air, aviation, magnets, electricity, weather, heat, water, simple machines, chemistry, sound, light.

*1950. Calvin Swart received an MA in administration and supervision of secondary school from the University of Michigan in August, 1952. He is now in the Navy, stationed at Newport, R.I., while attending school. Family address: 58 Coventry Ave., Rochester 10, N.Y.

**LETTERS**

Marvin G. Mepyans '50, writing to the Palette & Masque members, immediately after Homecoming and the presentation of "Harvey"...

Returning to Hope College is always a great experience. But it's even a greater thrill when one can return and realize the tremendous importance that Dramatics is now playing in the lives of those on the College Campus.

Thus it is to you, as members of Palette & Masque, that I write now, congratulating you on the fine job you are doing in keeping Palette & Masque moving forward and fulfilling the dreams of those who struggled for its early existence. In short, I feel the whole of it is wrapped up in one small word, Thanks.

**NOTICE ALL AREA SECRETARIES AND REPORTERS**

Deadline for news items for the April issue of the Alumni Magazine is March 15, 1953. (It has been suggested that this date be included in each preceding issue of the magazine for the convenience of those who have news items to contribute.) News items from people who can contribute are very welcome in addition to those from elected secretaries and reporters. Thank you!
IMPORTANT HOPE ALUMNI DATES

GRAND RAPIDS HOPE CLUB MEETING
Immanuel Reformed Church
Thursday, January 29, 8:00 P.M.
Secretary, Mrs. Alfred Rypstra,
2542 Raymond SE, Grand Rapids, Mich.

TENTATIVE DATES FOR EASTERN CLUB MEETINGS
New York City, April 7, Hackensack, N.J.
Albany, April 9, Schenectady, New York
Rochester, April 10, Rochester

DETROIT HOPE CLUB MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT
1. Date and time: Friday, March 13, 1953, 7:00 P.M.
2. Place: Faith Community Church (Reformed)
3. Location: 20600 Moross (East Seven Mile Rd.)

All Hope people in the Detroit area are most welcome. For reservations get in touch with the secretary, Mrs. Mae Van Hartesveldt ’36 Veldhuis (call her Mae), 16903 Lauder, Vermont 5-0686, Detroit.

CLASSES WITH REUNIONS COMING UP
Alumni Day, June 9, 1953

CLASS OF 1928 HAS PLANS
COMMITTEE
DOROTHY MULDER KRUIZENGA
DElia HELDER VAN EENENAAM
GELMER BOVEN

CLASS OF 1933 HAS PLANS
COMMITTEE
MILDRED KLOW DAMSON
JEAN HERMAN HILL

CLASSES TO MEET
1903 1908 1913 1918 1923 1938 1943 1948

VISIT HOPE’S CAMPUS ON ALUMNI DAY